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September, the last summer month, is upon us, and when it is over only three months will remain in 1961. Needless to say, time continues to fly.

Autumn begins on September 23rd this year, which is late for autumn, and school for millions of youngsters opens during the month, and generally speaking, a welcomed fall, with its cool weather, will be ushered in.

The official end of World War II fell on September 2d, 1945, with the authoritative surrender of Japan, although the fighting actually ended August 14th. Labor Day falls on September 4th this year, and that weekend will be the last summer holiday weekend for many of us.

September 9th, 1914, will long be remembered as the date on which the Allies stopped the Germans on the Marne in the Kaiser's attempt to end World War I in the first year.

The Star Spangled Banner was written on the 14th of September 1814; the first Continental Congress was held September 5th 1774, in Philadelphia, 17th, and many other anniversaries and memorable dates are recalled during the month.

But in general, September is a month when the weather changes from summer to fall. It is a nostalgic month, in a sense, for it brings us the first cool weather, the first taste of hunting in many areas, and the first hints of coming winter.

And, on the 23rd, the length of the day and the night will be exactly equal, one of the two times during the year this occurs. By December 21st, when winter will arrive, we will see the shortest day of the year, for after the 23rd of September the nights will be longer than the days, increasingly so, with each new day.

Berlin Divided

The action of the Russians, in surrounding Berlin with two division of Russian troops and shutting off the flow of traffic between the eastern and western sectors of the city should not surprise anyone.

In fact, there were questions raised on the Western side for some weeks before the closing of the border in view of the steady flow of refugees from East Germany to western Berlin and West Germany.

This steady fleeing of refugees, and the example of Germany (and Japan); constitute the greatest proof that democracy can outdo communism witnessed by the world since the end of World War II. Naturally, Nikita Khrushchev felt that he must halt the steady fleeing of East Germans from their communist country though he must have hated to make the admission which he was making in ordering the borders closed.

The West should stress the example of Germany and Japan to the rest of the world - to prove its case for democracy - more forcefully and more often. The communists use propaganda to excellent advantage in every accomplishment, especially in the rockets and space field.

But the greatest living testimonial to democracy today is the example which has been set by the two defeated Axis partners of World War II, Germany and Japan, where the people have lived under democratic governments. The progress made in the countries, where devastation was almost complete, certainly more widespread than in any of the countries where the communists took over, is eye-opening.

West Germany and Japan today stand among the strong powers of the world. They have strong economies and the people are enjoying a high standard of living. All this has been accomplished in a democratic society, with the people actually choosing their government and their government leaders.

MILK PRODUCTION CONTINUES INCREASE

Milk production in Virginia has record highs each month so far this year.

Albert J. Ortego, assistant agricultural economist at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, says milk production in the state during the first seven months was 70,000,000 pounds more than the January through July total in 1960 - an increase of about 6 percent. If production continues at the present rate for the rest of the year, Virginia milk cows will reach their all-time record.

Total milk production in the United States also is running above 1960. U. S. production in July was estimated at 11,014,000,000 pounds - 2.5 percent more than in July of 1960. For the first seven months of 1961, total milk production in the nation was 1 percent above the same period of last year.

July production equaled or topped the 1960 output in 27 of the 35 states reporting. New record highs for July were set in Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, and California. On the other hand, production was at record low levels in North Dakota, Nebraska, Texas, Montana, and Wyoming.

Relative to population, July milk production was equivalent to 1.94 pounds of milk per person per day - slightly above the per cent capita production of July 1960. Milk production on a per capita basis has been decreasing during the past several years - but per capita consumption has gone down even more. So Ortego says it seems the dairy industry will be faced with larger surpluses.

Milk production in Virginia and surrounding states (except in West Virginia) has been increasing more rapidly than in the country as a whole. Most of the increase has been in Grade A milk. As a result Grade A milk has become a burden to fluid milk markets in this area. Much of this milk must be used in manufactured milk products, which compete with products made from ungraded milk.

Virginia dairymen can expect more competition for fluid milk markets particularly for sales to military installations, which go to dealers on the basis of the lowest bid. However, Ortego says Virginia dairymen are in an advantageous position with regard to such sales in Va. because they are closer the market and therefore have a lower transportation cost.

With the present supply of Grade A milk, Virginia milk marketing associations are in a better position to supply milk to deficit markets in South on a year-round basis. The large supply of Grade A milk presents a challenge to the marketing ingenuity of Virginia's dairy industry. And Ortego says the continued progress of the state's dairy industry depends heavily on whether or not this challenge is met.

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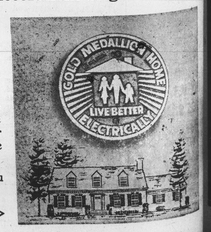

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Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Mahone, of Newport News, were the week-end guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. McCleny.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Nash, of Williamsburg were week-end visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Davis.

Walter J. Payne, Jr., has been taking quite a few fishing trips lately with friends to Chesapeake Bay.

Ricky Buscemi, of Richmond spent several days last week with his grandmother, Mrs. J. W. D. Canada.

Miss Eloise Rosser spent several days this week with relatives at Newport News.

Anti-Cuban move fails at Latin conference.

Reds warn troop issue perils Laos talks.

...Rocks

Rocks, August 29.- The farmers are busy cutting tobacco and hay.

Miss Cassie Baldwin is spending part of her vacation attending a convention in Norfolk, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Atkinson, of Washington, D. C., and daughter, Dian, visited the Toby Inge's recently.

Mr. and Mrs. James Thaxton and Sandra, visited Mrs. Maud Ranson last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, of Nicaragua, Central America, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith, have gone on to N. J. to visit other relatives. The Smiths had the thrilling experience of riding in the plane that was hi-jacked recently, that has been in the news. They were waiting to board the plane, and it was late on account of the hi-jacking.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Roach, Johnny and Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Martin and Donna visited Annie and Rodney Roach last week.

When Mrs. Mary Inge returned from visiting friends one night last week, the family were all in bed. She went out the back door to put some flower slips out and fell out as the porch had been torn down in her absence. She was not hurt seriously, though very bruised and shook up.

Mrs. J. H. Ranson entertained the following relatives with a cook-out in her back yard Saturday night: Mr. and Mrs. Cawthorn Harris, Sue, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Dillon and Eunice Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ranson visited Shenandoah Park and Luray Caverns while on vacation.

Philip and Audrey Inge visited Mrs. Clara Garrett and Melvin Garrett at Evergreen last week.

Rev. and Mrs. Winfred Elder and family have returned from their trip to Fairystone Park, near Stuart, Va. While gone, they attended a home-coming at a former church of his, Sharon Baptist.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen McIntosh and girls went to Roanoke on their vacation. They took the children to the zoo on Mill Mountain, and to Lakeside Amusement Park, and also to Natural Bridge.

Mrs. D. R. Inge spent a few days with Mrs. Marks, while Ed and Florence Rannon were away.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Williams are in their new home. Their home was destroyed recently by fire, and then on Father's Day their son, Edward was killed in the Price-Henesley wreck that took 8 lives. So we are glad they have this new home.

...County Line

County Line, Aug. 28.- People in this section are busy saving the tobacco crop.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cordell left Saturday morning for a visit to relatives in Tennessee.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O'Cull visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elliotte Nash Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Ferguson's two children are spending a few days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Everette Ferguson.

Mrs. Dan Irby and son, D. B., attended a stew at the home of Mr. Roland near Gretna Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Mayberry, of Richmond, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mullins.

Mrs. A. D. Marshall visited her daughter, Mrs. Malcolm Jordon on Sunday.

There was a birthday party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Mullins Saturday, in honor of Ramon Mullins' birthday. There were 15 guests present.

Vernie Jones is accompanying the committeemen to a district meeting in Charlottsville today.

Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Jones and two children, Linda and Ralph, of Richmond were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vernie Jones Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Mullins visited Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Mann Sunday night.

...Oakville

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Burcher, and boys spent Sunday with his mother at Howardsville.

Mrs. Bessie Wade, of Lynchburg and Mrs. Wesley Coleman were the dinner guests Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs. Clarke Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Murrell Jordon and Karen, and Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Campbell visited Mr. and Mrs. Louis Moore Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Hunter of West Virginia spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Maude Martin.

Rev. and Mrs. Randolph Martin and son spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Martin, and grandmother, Mrs. Lula Martin.

The Young Adult Class of Mt. Comfort Church met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Martin Saturday evening, and had a picnic on the lawn.

The 4-H Club met with Jimmy and Richard Martin on Tuesday evening.

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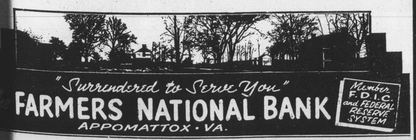
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